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In the Specification

Please amend the specification as indicated herein.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 13 with the following paragraph.

--As illustrated in FIG. 1 and FIG. 2, an eraser 1 is composed of a porous structural material that is a skeleton structure 2. Here, this skeleton structure 2 is composed of a porous structural material of an organic polymer but can be composed of other substances than organic polymer. Further, the skeleton structure 2 contains an elastic material 3 of an eraser composition containing a rubber component or a resin component. Here, in one embodiment of the skeleton structure of the present embodiment, a skeleton portion 2a, which has a greater stiffness as compared with the elastic material 3 of the eraser composition, is composed of a foamed structural material serving as a structural material having virtually polygonal or virtually circular cells when viewed in cross section. Reference number 2b represents a void portion of the skeleton structure surrounded by the skeleton portion 2a. Moreover, reference number 4 represents eraser scraps, reference number 5 represents broken fragments of the skeleton structure, and reference number 6 is an elastic material of the eraser scrap.